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SUBJECT: INDONCHINESE REFUGEES BOAT CASE

- TRAWLER 722, BIODATA

REF: SN 5257

1. CASE 1, BIO CAT IV VIETNAMESE REFUGEE NGUYEN VAN HUONG, FAMILY  
OF 1

(1) NGUYEN VAN HUONG

A. ROMAN CATHOLIC

B. JAN 25, 1955, BARIA

C. HIGH SCHOOL

D. MECHANIC, VUNG TAU, 1973-1975

E. VN

F. NGUYEN THI TOT, SISTER, PAROLEE, RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS 72801

G. UNKNOWN

2. CASE 2, BIO CAT III VIETNAMESE REFUGEE LE MANH TUONG

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FAMILY OF 3

(1) LE MANH TUONG

- A. ROMAN CATHOLIC
- B. MARCH 10, 1954, HAIPHONG
- C. HIGH SCHOOL
- D. ARVN 1972-1975, ATTACHED TO U.S. ARMY COMPANY B-15 IN  
LONG HAI 1972-1973. REMAINDER OF TIME SERVED IN VUNG  
TAU AREA.
- E. VN
- F. NIL
- G. NIL

(2) LE VAN THUONG, BROTHER

- A. ROMAN CATHOLIC
- B. SEPT, 10, 1952, HAIPHONG
- C. HIGH SCHOOL
- D. ARVN 1971-1975, VUNG TAU AREA, RADIO OPERATOR
- E. VN
- F. NIL
- G. NIL

(3) LE MANH DO BROTHER, OCT 1, 1963, VUNG TAU.

3. CASE 3, BIO CAT IV VIETNAMESE REFUGEE LE HUU DO, FAMILY OF 3

(1) LE HUU DO

- A. ROMAN CATHOLIC
- B. JAN 12, 1951, HAIPHONG
- E. HIGH SCHOOL
- D. NAVY RVN, 1968-1975, MECHANIC/TECHNICIAN AT VUNG TAU  
NAVY BASE
- E. VN
- F. NIL
- G. NIL

(2) LE HUU DA, BROTHER

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- A. ROMAN CATHOLIC
- B. OCT 21, 1956, VUNG TAU
- C. HIGH SCHOOL
- D. NIL
- E. VN
- F. NIL
- G. NIL

(3) LE HUU CHINH, BROTHER, AUG. 2, 1964, VUNG TAU

4. CASE 4, BIO CAT III VIETNAMESE REFUGESS NGUYNE VAN DIEN,  
FAMILY OF 2

(1) NGUYNE VAN DIEN

- A. ROMAN CATHOLIC
- B. AUG 10 1954, HANOI
- C. 1 YEAR HIGH SCHOOL
- D. MECHANIC, U.S. COMPANY, PACIFIC CO., VUNG TAU, 1969-  
1970, ARVN, RECONNAISSANCE FOR U.S. FORCES, RECANDO,  
LONG HAI, 1970-1975.
- E. VN
- F. NIL
- G. NIL

(2) NGUYEN VAN DINH, BROTHER

- A. ROMAN CATHOLIC
- B. JUNE 26, 1956, VUNG TAU
- C. HIGH SCHOOL
- D. NIL
- E. VN
- F. NIL
- G. NIL

5. CASE 5, BIO CAT IV VIETNAMESE REFUGEE PHAM QUANG VINH, FAMILY  
OF 1

(1) PHAM QUANG VINH

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- A. ROMAN CATHOLIC
- B. DEC 5, 1955, TAY NINH
- C. HIGH SCHOOL
- D. MECHANIC, VN COMPANY 1974-1975
- E. VN
- F. NIL
- G. NIL

6. CASE 6, BIO CAT IV VIETNAMESE REFUGEE NGUYEN VAN MINH,  
FAMILY OF 1

(1) NGUYEN VAN MINH

- A. ROMAN CATHLIC
- B. FEB 25, 1960, BIEN HOA

C. 1 YEAR HIGH SCHOOL  
D. NIL  
E. VN  
F. NIL  
G. NIL

7. CASE 7, BIO CAT IV VIETNAMESE REFUGEE TRAN CAO NGUYEN,  
FAMILY OF 1

(1) TRAN CAO NGUYEN

A. ROMAN CATHOLIC  
B. APRIL 3, 1956, DA LAT  
C. HIGH SCHOOL  
D. MECHANIC, FAMILY GARAGE VUNG TAU, 1973-1976  
E. VN  
F. NIL  
G. NIL

8. CASE 8, BIO CAT IV VIETNAMESE REFUGEE PHAM VAN TOAN,  
FAMILY OF 1

(1) PHAM VAN TOAN

A. ROMAN CATHOLIC  
B. JUNE 15, 1957, BARIA  
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C. 3 YEARS HIGH SCHOOL  
D. NIL  
E. VN  
F. NIL  
G. NIL

9. THE 13 REFUGEES IN THIS CASE WERE PICKED UP OUTSIDE PORT WATERS  
ON NOVEMBER 16, 1976 BY A SINGAPOREAN FISHING TRAWLER, NO. 722,  
FLOATING ON OIL DRUMS AND OTHER WRECKAGE OF THEIR FISHING BOAT  
USED TO EXIT FROM VUNG TAU. SINGAPORE AUTHORITIES HERE CONFINED

THE REFUGEES TO THE CRAFT, A VERY SMALL VESSEL WHICH IS CURRENTLY  
BERTHED AT KANGAR FISHING VILLAGE ON THE NORTH SHORE OF  
SINGAPORE. GOS ALSO REFUSES TO PERMIT THE MASTER OF THE VESSEL  
TO MOVE THE TRAWLER OR TO TRANSFER THEM TO ANOTHER VESSEL.

10. THE REFUGEES ARE ALL SINGLE MALES, AND THEIR PARENTS ALL  
REMAIN IN VUNG TAU. ALL MEMBERS OF THE CASE ARE LONG TIME  
FRIENDS AND REQUEST ASYLUM AS A GROUP.  
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